UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: SAC, DALLAS (89-43) DATE: 11/25/63

FROM: SA JAMES W. ANDERTON

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY
11/22/63
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At 9:50 A.M. this date, DR. JACK C. HARPER, Office Tel. WH 1-0323, called from Methodist Hospital, stating that his nephew, BILLY A. HARPER, 2378 E. Ledbetter, who is a pre-medical student at TCU, had been taking photographs in area of assassination and had found in the grass a piece of humnn bone. DR. HARPER stated both he and Chief Pathologist at Methodist Hospital confirmed that it is definitely a piece of humnn skull, and he wanted to turn it over to FBI. He was told that there is to be no publicity of this matter whatsoever. His nephew is bringing it to the FBI Office.

SA ANDERTON immediately contacted MR. ROBERTSON of Secret Service, who immediately contacted Secret Service at White House, a MR. BOUCK, who is Chief of the Protective Research Section there, who instructed that the piece of human bone be delivered directly to that section, and that since the FBI had received the call, then the FBI should send the bone to the White House, AND NO PUBLICITY WHATSOEVER.

SA ANDERTON consulted with Inspector J. R. MALLEY, who instructed that HARPER should be directly referred to Secret Service since that agency has primary jurisdiction.

SA ANDERTON immediately contacted MR. J. L. KELLY, Secret Service, relating above information, who stated they would have an Agent come to the FBI upon arrival of HARPER, and personally take the piece of bone from him.

SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN then instructed the writer that Asst. Director BELMONT had called, instructing that the piece of bone be sent in by our office, rather than Secret Service, and to send it to the Laboratory for examination. MR. KELLY, Secret Service was advised of these new instructions.

The writer then dictated a registered-airmail airtel to the FBI Laboratory enclosing the bone material for proper examinatio

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